## Four Tests Are Suggested as Standard of Physical Fitness

New Body Hopes to Affiliate All National Amateur Sports Organizations and Hold Championships Where There Is No Conflicting Jurisdiction

The National Amateur Athletic Federation of America held its first annual meeting at the Hotel Astor yesterday. It is rather difficult to explain to followers of athletics just what this body is and what it stands for. In brief, it bears the same relation to national athletics of every kind that the National Collegiate Athletic Association bears to American

To National League

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Seems Doubtful

Both these organizations are comparative newcomers in the field of Return of Benton supervision and conduct of competitive A. A. has existed for seventeen years, but it has been only within the last fow Rube Benton is still the center of a ministrative and executive organization. The N. A. A. F., as the new national organization is called, hopes to affiliate all the national sports organizations with itself, and thus to exercise a guiding, if not controlling, interest in the development of the future of athletics in the United States. This movement has the backing of the United States army, the navy and the International Y. M. C. A. Some seventeen national associations connected partly or entirely with sports have already joined the N. A. A. F., including the United States Lawn Tennia Association, the United States Lawn Tennia Association, the United States Golf Association, the Boy and Girl Scouts movements, the N. C. A. A and the Y. M. H. A. However, three great bodies that are not yet within this fold are the I. C. A. A. A. A. the Knights of Columbus and the A. A. U., the last named being by far the most powerful organization of its kind in this country. Unless these organizations for which it has been formed.

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1 Athletic surveys. 2 Physical standards and tests.

4 Mass activities.

5 Competitive championships. 6 Athletic education.

Athletic legislation

Industrial recreation. 9 Collateral relations.

Just "en passant," that collateral relations committee is a tough one in-treduced by Dr. Thomas W. Storey, of City College, and it will delve into the relations of athletics to medical municipal hygiene and such

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The Commissioner, however, had started investigating reports that Benton along of and tennis exist, we shall let them continue in the able management of their own affairs. It is only where there are no national bodies, or conflicting jurisdictions, that we shall try to organize the field and hold one and to any organized as such."

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Mr. Kirby then took up the question of sectional activities. On the chart shewing the proposed activities of the organization it was indicated that the national body would aslie have been control over state adhetic organization," queried Mr. Kirby, "am I to understand that this organization would wish to step into our activities or the national body would aslie have been control over state adhetic organization," queried Mr. Kirby, "am I to understand that this organization would wish to step into our activities or into those of some other association like our P. S. A. L. here in this city and to supervise or conduct championship for such bodies, and the such as a pitcher. After he foling the control over state adhetic organization, and local seasciations. "As a representative of the Playground Association," queried Mr. Kirby, "am I to understand that this organization would wish to step into our activities or into those of some other association like our P. S. A. L. here in this city and to supervise or conduct championship for such that the series had been fixed.

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That Guiltiest Feeling

By BRIGGS



### Bouts Hereabouts

TO-NIGHT Commonwealth S. C.—Kid Rash vs. Abe Goldstein, 12 rounds; Jimmy Can-cro vs. Babe Smith, 12 rounds,

clubs do not favor Benton's return to the National League."

The attitude of the National League seems to be that it is not necessary to prove a player guilty of throwing games or other such tactics in order to have him barred from the organisation. Judge Landis may give Benton a clean bill of health on the question of being connected with the Black Sox scandal or involved with Herzog in a private little game-throwing contest as Rube asserted that Herzog had proposed, but the National League still reserves the right to say that a player is simply an undesirable through his habits or associations and thus unverthy of being admitted into the league. 9th Regiment Armory—Lee Wedo va Buby Steln, 12 rounds; Hobby Wagner vs. Jimmy Foley, 10 rounds. Buby Steln, 12 rounds; Hobby Wagner vs. Jimmy Foley, 10 rounds.

Hidgewood Grove S. C.—Johnny Gannon vs. Terry Miller, 12 rounds; Jim Henry vs. Johnny Herman, 10 rounds.

Rink S. C.—Andy Kid Palmer vs. Frankle Powers, Henry Mick vs. Morse Castell, 01to Johnson vs. Frankle Fleming. Teu rounds each.

MONDAY
(Afternoon)

Broadway F. A.—Sonny Smith vs.

Broadway E. A.—Sonny Smith vs. Prankle Coster, Charley Goodman vs. Joe Clifford, Harry Gordon vs. Larry Goldberg, Ten rounds each, TUESDAY

# CHICAGO, Dec. 29.—Rube Benton, who called on Commissioner Landis yesterday to inquire into his status, was told there was nothing in the Commissioner's records at this time to prevent him from playing organized base-ball. Pittsburgh Eleven Ready for To-day' Came With Stanfor

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advisability of joining this national body.

Dr. C. R. Mann, civilian adviser to the War Department, was one of the first speakers at the all-day convention. He told of the interest that the United States Army had in the physical development of the nation, and pledged the hearty support of army officials, from the General staff down, in the pregram mapped out for the association. It was suggested that certain tests for physical fitness be made standard, such as the 100-yard dash, the running broad jump, the running high jump and the bar vault, with certain minimum marks for the successful passing of each test.

The constitution and by-laws as presented to th January 29. Firpo agreed to meet the winner of this bout at any time The constitution and by-laws as presented by a committee which had worked on the problem were adopted without question. General Palmer E. Pierce offered a tentative budget for 1923 of \$20,000, which was also adopted. The committee on nominations then reported with a list that included President Harding as honorary president. Barding as honorary president to the committee on the problem when the probable that Pirpo's battle with the winner of this bout at any time selected by Tex Rickard. The promoter regards the cable as equivalent to a signed contract.

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# 4 Grantland Rice

Advance Resolutions

I am hereby resolving, wherever I can,

To put a back-spin on my tongue When the yearning is present to rise up and pan Or start in to knocking some cove from the clan, No matter how old or how young, I will give him the first benefit of the doubt, For perhaps, after all, he's a pretty good scout.

I am also resolving, when temptation lurks, To get up each morning and say (In regard to a yearning the crowd rarely shirks): "Well, mind your own business and see how it works. Just mind your own business to-day.

Game With Stanford

month's suspension after the season started killed any advance dream of a new record and thereby checked most of his early impetus.

Ninteen hundred and twenty-three is another story. Ruth began training for the new year several weeks before the old year passed out, which is always the best system. He should be in the best condition Louis Firpo Coming Here to Box this spring that he has ever known, and once this fact is established can bank to a certainty on the support of the multitude at large. this spring that he has ever known, and once this fact is established he

It is hardly probable that Ruth will break his top mark of 59 homers. merchant of the game.

Nineteen hundred and twenty-three will have a hard time when it comes to improving upon the championship crop. Such stars as Weismuller, Sarazen, Hagen, Hoppe, Hornsby, Sisler, Sweetser, Miss Collett, Tilden, Mrs. Mallory, etc., complete one of the greatest parades that ever marched to a new season in defense of throne and scepter.

Princeton had the vital spark to an unusual degree, which is even more to her credit than phenomenal material would have been.

G. L. J.—Rudy Knepper, the Sioux City star, in any ranking must be placed in either sixth or seventh position. It would be unfair to place him further from the top. He won his own state championship, the amateur. He was the only man able to beat Francis Ouimet all year. Frank Godchaux, of New Orleans, is another young star who must be inplayed fine golf in the National played fine golf in the Nati Trans-Mississippi, and then finished among the last four in the National amateur. He was the only man able to beat Francis Ouimet all year. Frank Godchaux, of New Orleans, is another young star who must be included in the first ten. He reached the final round of the Southern, played fine golf in the National open, did well in the Metropolitan open and finished among the last eight in the National amateur.

"Don't forget to put in a boost for curling as a great winter sport," writes Jack Calder, the curling impresario of Utica. We subscribe heartily to the sentiments in spite of the fact that our grip upon curling is extremely uncertain.

Curling may be older than golf—we are not certain. But those who play it lend an indorsement above any other sport known exclusively to the reign of ice and snow. And that means something.

Benton case would indicate as much.

Letters received from members of the All-America baseball team, now touring the Orient, indicate that the January and various entertains and various entertains early and various entertains and various entert

Billy Gilbert to

Manage Denver

Club Next Year

Billy Gilbert, former major league star, and more recently a successful manager of minor league clubs, yesterday accepted terms with the owners of the Denver Club of the Western League, and will direct the pennant chasers of the Colorado metropolis next season. He will leave for the West within the next two days, as the contract calls for Gilbert to take full control before January 10.

Negotiations between the Denver owners and Gilbert have been going on for some weeks, but two other very attractive offers to manage clubs was cased the New Yorker.

And there is Babe Ruth, deposed for the time by Rogers Hornsby, but far from suppressed. His admirers believe this idol, who shared a place in universal affection none had known since the hey-day of the mighty John since the hey-day of the sustaint in the second its fifth consecutive victory and the sustaint in the sustaint in the second its fifth consecutive victory and the sustaint in the sustaint in the sustaint in the line-up. Will be saveral capable jayer in the count of 19 to 10. The coniest was played at the Rink Sporting Challes and for the time by was easily solved by the Broeliphite. For the most part McGill had several capable jayer in the line-up, but their style of saveral capable jayer in the line-up, but their style of saveral capable jayer in the line-up, but their style of part of the

attractive offers to manage clubs 25,000 easily.

What may be termed the "reserve" of Sunday baseball patronage in

"Well, mind your own business and see how it works,
Just mind your own business to-day."

It's more than actonishing, year in and out,
How we'll butt into things we know nothing about.

Neither a Miss Nor a Mile

Some time back a private golf battle was arranged over the Pelham
course between George Duncan, the eminent Scottish stylist, and Irvin
S. Cobb, Duncan having been informed that Mr. Cobb was one of the leading American amateurs.

"Duncan stepped up," relates Cobb, "and rapped the ball somewhere across the next latitude. When I last saw it 400 yards away it was just starting to rise.

"After that I could almost hear him say as he stepped back to washing the works, and the manager in the Brass City and finished an easy second, tracing only Bill Donovan's New Haven team, which was probably that strongers Class A clip in the Brass City and in a lister, "No," said Cobb, "I didn't miss it. I even made it flinch a little."

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# also as hopefully as its two stronger borough rivals. As to Giants and Yankees, the fight for public favor should start as evenly as the mind can picture. It is true McGraw holds the whip hand over Huggins in that the Giants humbled the Yankees in the recent World's Series; in the past two World's Series, to be exact. But Huggins has in his favor to offset this two invaluable assets. The new stadium, in its mignificence, grandeur and commodiousness—not to mention easy accessibility—cannot but appeal to that innate charm of novelty so dear to the heart of the New Yorker.

New York is the greatest sporting city in the world. This statement is not made beastfully. With its population and wealth it should be just what it is. But New York the coming year will be put to a test to which no other city ever has been submitted. The new Yankee Stadium in the Bronx will bid for patronage against the long-established institutions at the Polo Grounds and Ebbets Field. And, as there will be certain specific Sundays marking conflicts among all three local major league baseball plants, the greater city will be called upon to answer the question as to just how far it "lays" over rivals of the major circuits.

New York is the greatest sporting

# Where Sport Trail Winds

The agitation which some major leaguers are making in regard to But he should at least again take his place as the premier four-base Rube Benton is no more flattering to the minor leagues than to the player himself. There may be some reason why a player is held to be an "undesirable" in major league company and perfectly acceptable in the next higher stratum of baseball society, but it isn't discernible from this particular angle. It is difficult to figure just why Benton is permitted to play in Class AA leagues and is held by some, including Ban Johnson, to be undesirable in the majors.

It is unfortunate for Benton, after and the Yankees feel the same way The Spirit Record

The finest spirit known by any organization or team for 1922 belongs to Princeton's football squad.

The spirit of the New York Giants was admirable, far beyond that of the Yankees, but the spirit of Bill Roper's delegation reached the highest mark of the year.

From the Colgate test early in October to the Yale affair late in November the Tiger was under constant pressure without weakening, tottering more than once, but always back upon his feet in time to save the day.

Princeton had the vital spark to an unusual degree, which is even more to her credit than phenomenal material would have been.

A season of satisfactory work in the big minor league, to have all this new discussion raised about his integrity. At the same time it is difficult to understand why the major leagues, if they felt that he should have been barred out, were content to make it a halfway exit. For the major leagues, if they felt that he should have been abstaining from any damperous ring work so long that another six months will not provide a hardship.

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Stilk hats, canes, patent hards world. Columbia athletic authorities were requal, or graded as a certainty for the place, and the other is a mentor of equal, or graded as a certainty for the place, and the other is a mentor of equal, or graded as a certainty for the place, and the other is a mentor of equal, or graded as a certainty for the place, and the other is a mentor of equal, or graded as a certainty for the place, and the other is a mentor of equal, or graded as a certainty for the place, and the other is a mentor of equal, or graded as a certainty for the place, and the other is a mentor of equal, or graded as a certainty for the place, and the other is a mentor of equal, or graded as a certainty for the place, and the other is a mentor of equal, or graded as a certainty for the place, and the other is a mentor of equal, or graded as a certainty for the place, and the other is a mentor of equal, or gra a season of satisfactory work in the big minor league, to have all this new

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Conflict of Sunday Dates Will

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Yankee Stadium, Polo Grounds and Ebbets Field

Will Offer a Combined Capacity of Almost 156

000 to Test Greater City as a Baseball Center

By W. J. Macbeth A new year is at hand, and with it, among greater New York's special devotees, high hope for the best line of entertainment the metropolis he

ever seen. No class has better reason to look forward with confidence the

DHILADELPHIA, Dec. 28.-AT Bon, Holland's champles 183 balkline billiard artist, has played his last amateur maten. After the against Edgar J. Appleby to-algic Bos announced that he relinerated his claims to the amateur title of Europe by turning professional. He will become an istructor bers. Re has been acting as referee is eddbition matches for some three

"lays" over rivals of the major curcuits.

Brooklyn, of course, has its own peculiar clientele and is good or bad, so far as patronage goes, in direct ratio to the strength or weakness of the Robins as shown in the standing of the clubs. Like cities of the kind it is always best in spring. This is the season where baseball hope runs high; no team can possibly be climinated before the first gala holiday of the year—Memorial Day. So Brooklyn should enter the lists for public favor also as hopefully as its two stronger borough rivals. weeks past. Bos took the afternoon block is easy fashion, 300 to 174. He required only II innings to run of his total, giving him an average of 27 3-11. In the night block, Appleby played a steadier game and scored 240 to Boa's 300.

The defeat of the world's ameteur title holder came as a surprise. In the International Amateur cham pionships held last February in this city. Bos met defeat at the hands of the champion and finished well down in the standings.

## St. Francis Quintet Victor Over McGill Five by 43 to 27



New Year's calls for the smartest of cutaways.

So, calls at the "four cor-

collars, gray gloves, silk mufflers, dress overcoats.

Fur for formal functions